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SUBJ: PERISAN GULF FOREIGN MINISTERS AT JIDDA

1. DURING JULY 17 MEETING, MFA PERSIAN GULF CHIEF IZADI TOLD POLCOUNS THAT SO-CALLED MEETING OF PERSIAN GULF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN CONNECTION WITH JIDDA ISLAMIC CONFERENCE HAD BEEN MERELY AN INFORMAL AND PRELIMINARY EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH NO ADVANCE PREPARATIONS OR AGENDA. WHILE FONMINS AGREED THERE SHOULD BE MORE COOPERATION ON MATTERS OF INTEREST TO GULF STATES, INCLUDING SECURITY, THERE WAS NO AGREEMENT ON FORM THAT COOPERATION SHOULD TAKE. SUBJECT OF FOREIGN MILITARY FORCES IN GULF AREA WAS NOT DISCUSSED AT ALL. FONMINS DECIDED TO GIVE PROBLEMS "FURTHER STUDY," CONTINUE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS, AND GET TOGETHER AGAIN, PERHAPS AT UNGA, BEFORE MOVING TO PROPOSED SUMMIT CONFERENCE ON GULF SECURITY WHICH THEREBY RECEDES FURTHER INTO FUTURE.

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2. IZADI ASSERTED THAT PRIMARY REASON FOR POSTPONEMENT OF

SUMMIT WAS NOT DIFFERENCE OF OPINION ON GULF SECURITY MATTERS
THEMSELVES BUT RATHER A SERIES OF BILATERAL PROBLEMS LIKE
KUWAIT'S DISPUTE WITH IRAQ WHICH HAD TO BE SOLVED FIRST SO
ATMOSPHERE AT SUMMIT WOULD BE MORE SUITABLE. COMMENT: THIS
ASSERTION STRIES US A PARTICULARLY UNCONVINCING, BUT WE WIL
WITHHOLD JUDGMENT UNTIL RETURN TO TEHRAN OF MFA UNDERSECRETARY
NADIM WHO WAS PRINCIPAL SUBSTANTIVE MAN AT JIDDA CONFERENCE.
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